

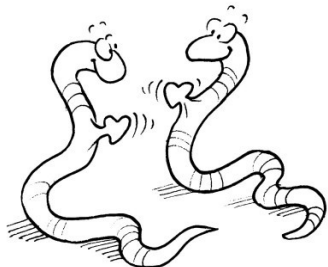
Hello! To all of you worm lovers, we at REAPS hope you're having a great February, and happy Valentine's Day! And what better way to celebrate this chilly month by getting close with the ones we love? In this edition of *Castings*, we'll be getting close with our favorite worm friends and learn about how they build families in your worm bin!



Building Up Your Worm Family

Your worms are a amazing little creatures. They know precisely how much to reproduce to fill up your worm bin! Another unique thing to note about your worms is that there are no male and female worms. They are both! This makes them hermaphroditic, meaning that each worm carries both sets of reproductive organs. Yet two worms are still needed to reproduce, as worms cannot fertilize themselves. Together, two worms will produce a cocoon, from which baby worms will hatch from.

Your red wigglers can reproduce rather quickly and create large families, as the average adult worm produces 2 or 3 cocoons each week, with about 3 hatchlings in each cocoon. After a few months, these hatchlings will be mature worms and ready to start the cycle all over again!



As long as you give your worms a cool and comfortable environment, they will be happy to build large connections of worm families and friends. Remember to give your worms adequate moisture, bedding, food, and a cool place to live!

How many hearts does a worm have?

Worms have five sets of hearts, making ten in total! They use all of these extra hearts to pump blood through their very long, skinny bodies!



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